Abstract: ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates first of all to a method for covering areas of damaged protective coating on containers (1) or the like, in which, according to the invention, protective coating material is stamped on to the zone in which the damaged areas occur. The invention also describes an apparatus for carrying out the method in which a carrier unit (12) is provided for stamping protective coating material on to the damaged area. Means (6, 10, 11) are Apparatus is provided for positioning the carrier unit (12) with respect to the container (1).